

Virginia Emergency Operations Center (VEOC)

Virginia Department of Emergency Management (VDEM)

Virginia Emergency Response Team (VERT)

Hurricanes Rita and Katrina

SITUATION REPORT 24

1630 Hours October 11, 2005

New Information in Bold Italics

Next Situation Report will be published Monday, October 17, 2005

WEATHER

Forecast: *Mostly cloudy across the Commonwealth with high temperatures in the mid 70's. Winds are variable, except in the Tidewater area, where winds are 7-11 mph, N-NE. A 75% chance of precipitation, except Southwest Virginia, where there is only a 30% chance of rain.*

EXECUTIVE ACTION

EOC Activation: The Virginia EOC is at Increased Readiness Condition.

State of Emergency: On September 23, 2005, Governor Warner extended the Declaration of Emergency with all the regulatory and deployment powers already granted for Hurricane Katrina, to cover the Commonwealth's response to Hurricane Rita.

OPERATIONS SECTIONS

State Warning Point: Continuing to receive and disseminate situation reports from Hurricanes Rita and Katrina impacted states.

EMAC: The total number of personnel from Virginia deployed through EMAC is **1,135**. The total number of EMAC personnel from Virginia in the impacted areas today is **492**. The VEOC is coordinating **4** open requests through Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC). The Online EOC has posted the latest EMAC requests for state and/or local agency response. Currently supporting 6 EMAC missions in Louisiana and 8 in Mississippi. ***Twenty-one (21) missions are complete.***

Virginia Beach – Five personnel deployed October 4 with Law Enforcement Task Force to Mississippi. A total of 4 Incident Management Team (IMT) personnel deployed on October 3 to Cameron Parish, Louisiana to assist with operations of the Parish EOC. A total of 9 personnel deployed.

Chesapeake City – A 12-person IMT deployed on September 29 to Harrison County, Mississippi in support of EOC operations.

Chesterfield County – Eight personnel deployed October 4 with Law Enforcement Task Force to Mississippi. Eleven personnel re-assigned from St. Bernard Parish to Lake Charles, Louisiana as a Type One IMT for Fire Command completed mission and returned to home base October 7. Ten personnel deployed to Mississippi with Law Enforcement Task Force # 1 returned on October 7.

Prince William County – Five personnel deployed with Law Enforcement Task Force to Mississippi on October 10. Three personnel deployed with Type III IMT on October 4 to Louisiana. A total of 8 personnel deployed.

Northern Virginia Localities - A replacement team of 52 personnel and equipment deployed on October 1 to Hancock, Mississippi in support of firefighting operations. ***An 18-person EOC Management team deployed to assist the New Orleans EOC and scheduled to return today, October 11. A total of 70 personnel deployed from the region.***

Roanoke City – Fire Department personnel deployed a 6-person Planning Team and equipment on October 2 to Calcasieu Parish, Louisiana to assist with EOC operations.

Henrico County – ***Eight personnel deployed with Law Enforcement Task Force to Mississippi on October 4.*** Five personnel deployed with Law Enforcement Task Force #1 to Mississippi and returned October 7.

VIRGINIA EVACUEES

Red Cross reports 4,367 applicants (1 applicant per household – 9,485 people). The largest numbers continue to be in Hampton Roads and Northern Virginia.

FEMA reports 6,122 applicants (1 applicant per household) claiming a Virginia forwarding address, as of October 5.

STATE ACTIVITIES

Virginia National Guard – ***A C-12 Aircraft with 3 personnel deployed October 1 to Louisiana.*** One guardsman with equipment deployed on October 3, to assist with laboratory duties in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. A VNG team of 328 personnel deployed to various Louisiana locations to assist with commodity distribution, medical support, and command support. ***A total of 332 personnel deployed.***

Virginia Department of Mines, Minerals & Energy (DMME) – ***The dyed diesel waiver for on-road use has been extended through Oct 25, 2005.***

Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (VDACS) - ***The Consumer Protection Hotline received eight calls since October 4 alleging gasoline price gouging.***

Virginia Department of Forestry (VDOTF) - ***Total of 24 personnel deployed to assist with the Katrina and Rita response. One 21-person crew is managing a food and supply distribution center. Three additional personnel are assisting on IMT's.***

Virginia State Police (VSP) – ***Twenty-two (22) personnel Deployed with Law Enforcement Task Force #1 to Mississippi through EMAC returned October 7. Eleven personnel deployed with a Law Enforcement Task Force to Mississippi on October 4. Fifteen personnel deployed with a multi-agency Law Enforcement Task Force to Mississippi on October 10.***

Virginia Department of Game & Inland Fisheries (VDGIF) – ***Ten officers supporting multi-agency law enforcement task forces (Law Enforcement Task Force #1) in Mississippi returned October 7. Seven officers deployed October 4 supporting a multi-agency law enforcement task force.***

Virginia Department of Health (VDH) - ***Virginia Disaster Medical Assistance Team (DMAT)-1 – Six (6) personnel are deployed to target area, one more scheduled to deploy on October 14. Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM) Team organized by Office of Emergency Medical Services and staffed by law enforcement and fire services personnel prepared to deploy, awaiting formal request from Louisiana. One Emergency Planner will deploy with the Chesapeake IMT to Mississippi.*** One (1) Office of Chief Medical Examiner (OCME) deployed in support of DMORT operations has returned. Prince William County Environmental Health manager deployed to Louisiana has returned. Lenowisco Health District food safety specialist deployed on 09/16 with Red Cross to San Antonio, Texas, working in public affairs at Kelly Air Force Base has returned.. Fifteen Medical Reserve Corp groups have been activated, most through Red Cross,

for deployment in support of local operations and target area support operations. Fifty-two (52) MRC personnel are deployed on out-of-state missions, and **100** are supporting operations in Virginia, for a total of **152** MRC personnel.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Citizen Corps volunteers are assisting with local emergency management efforts in support of Hurricane Katrina and Hurricane Rita relief efforts across the state. Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) members have been deployed to the affected areas with Red Cross and with FEMA as community relations personnel. Medical Reserve Corp personnel deployments are reflected above in the VDH report.

Virginia VOAD volunteers are providing assistance to storm impacted states. Southeast Virginia VOAD – As of September 27, The Regional VOAD Special Unmet Needs hotline has received 331 calls from evacuees. Of these, 207 have been assigned case numbers and volunteer caseworkers are actively working to assist these evacuees with a variety of needs and information.

Search and Rescue deployed 3 cadaver dogs with 6 personnel on October 8 in support of operations in New Orleans and are scheduled to return October 24.

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